

Not every new idea is a good one. BPL may be a nice way for folks to get internet access at a lower cost than at present, but the fallout to the emergency capabilities provided by amateur radio and other desirable activities is not worth the savings. A similar example is that of using coal to provide electrical power to the country. There is plenty of coal, but the loss to society from the outpouring of gasses into the atmosphere far outstrips the benefit. I recall listening to the news broadcasts from London about the horrible air pollution during that winter about 1950, where, I imagine, the coal stoves were keeping the corpses warm until the rescuers could get to them . . .

Necessity is the mother of invention, and I am sure those who will be disappointed by not having BPL will figure out something else, just as those who used to heat their homes with coal have figured out an alternate plan.

BPL is NOT the answer.

Sincerely,

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